

REISSUE APPLICATION DECLARATION BY THE INVENTOR

Docket Number (Optional)
5203-001REF

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in patent number 5,970,976, granted October 26, 1999, and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR GENERATING PRESSURE CHANGES IN A MAMMALIAN ORAL/THROAT CAVITY,

the specification of which

☒ is attached hereto.

☐ was filed on _____ as reissue application number _____ / _____ and was amended on _____.
(If applicable)

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, for the reasons described below. (Check all boxes that apply.)

☐ by reason of a defective specification or drawing.

☒ by reason of the patentee claiming more or less than he had the right to claim in the patent. More particularly, I claimed less literally than I had a right to claim in the patent; namely, by limiting all of the claims of the patent to the recitation of elements unnecessary to define the invention in a literal reading of its broadest aspects (although not believed to be so limiting under the doctrine of equivalents and other legal principals) and primarily by reason of the specific wording of claims 1, 4, 11 and 12 so as to recite that the method and apparatus of the invention is directed to "inducing pressure changes in a mouth and throat cavity" (emphasis supplied).

☐ by reason of other errors.

At least one error upon which reissue is based is described as follows:

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